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YASUI et al.)
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FOR	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE	CLAIMS PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	22	22	2 (Over 20)	x \$18	0
Independent Claims	5	5	2 (Over 3)	x \$84	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$280	0
REDUCTION FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). IF APPLICABLE, VERIFIED STATEMENT MUST BE ATTACHED				x ½	
			TOTAL		0.00

In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

- [x] Response to Office Action
(with Claim Amendments)
[] Substitute Specification
[] Preliminary Amendment
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 9, 2003, the period of response to which is set to expire on August 9, 2003. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: